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LISTING OF CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the patent application.

Claim 1 (currently amended): A mold shim, comprising:
a pedestal protruding from a mold surface toward an interior of the mold;
a plurality of magnets located at a top surface of the pedestal; and
a veneer located at the top surface of the pedestal, the veneer permanently adhered to the pedestal and covering the plurality of magnets;
wherein the veneer has an exposed outer surface having a substantially smoother contour than the top surface of the pedestal
(a) ~~a first side adapted for placement on an interior surface of a forming mold, and~~
(b) ~~a second side, opposite said first side, adapted for placement under a fastener strip to be in mold, such that said mold shim is sandwiched between said interior surface of said forming mold and said fastener strip,~~
~~whereby said mold shim compensates for variability in said interior surface of said forming mold and provides an even sealing surface for said fastener strip.~~

Claim 2 (currently amended): The mold shim of claim 1, wherein said ~~mold shim~~ veneer is constructed of a non-magnetically attractable material.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The mold shim of claim 2, wherein said ~~mold shim~~ veneer is constructed of non-magnetically attractable stainless steel.

Claim 4 (canceled).

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Claim 5 (cancelled).

Claim 6 (withdrawn): The mold shim of claim 1, wherein said mold shim is constructed of a magnetically attractable material.

Claim 7 (cancelled).

Claim 8 (withdrawn): The mold shim of claim 1, wherein said mold shim is composite comprising a non-magnetically attractable material with magnetically attractable particles incorporated therein.

Claim 9 (currently amended): The mold ~~shim~~ of claim 1, wherein said ~~mold shim~~ veneer is a substantially flat rectangular strip.

Claim 10 (currently amended): The mold ~~shim~~ of claim 1, wherein said ~~mold shim also~~ veneer comprises at least one positioning post located on an ~~end~~ edge thereof.

Claims 11-26 (cancelled).

Claim 27 (currently amended): The mold ~~shim~~ of claim 1, wherein said ~~second side~~ veneer has a curved shape.

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Claim 28 (currently amended): The mold ~~shim~~ of claim 27, wherein said ~~second-side~~
veneer has a convex shape.

Claim 29 (currently amended): The mold ~~shim~~ of claim 27, wherein said ~~second-side~~
veneer has a concave shape.

Claims 30-43 (cancelled).